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The vote on the final passage of the bill was 172 to 161. The announcement was made that the bill would be passed.

Failure in Porto Rico.

SAJUAN DE PUERTO RICO, Feb. 28.—The Porto Rico Company, a New Jersey corporation, with headquarters at Philadelphia, has petitioned the court for a declaration of insolvency and S. E. Simpson has been appointed receiver. The petition sets forth that the principal cause of the failure of the company is the destruction of the sugar plantations by the cyclone of last year. The sum of \$1,500,000 in cash is said to have been expended in the purchase of the plantations. The company is said to have been organized by the late John D. Rockefeller and his associates.

To Recover Customs Duties.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Suit was filed today in the United States court of claims by Ludwig Dupuis, of Porto Rico, to recover \$4,524, which he has paid as customs duties on goods imported from the United States. He bases his right to recover on the ground that the goods were imported under the treaty of peace with Spain and the Constitution of the United States, and that the duties were levied in violation of the treaty and the Constitution.

ROSEBERY DISLIKED.

Forced to Resign Presidency of Scotch Liberal Association.

LONDON, March 1.—Lord Rosebery yesterday resigned the presidency of the Scotch Liberal Association, a post he had held for twenty years, and also the honorary presidency of the Midlothian Liberal Association, which he had held since its formation. He firmly declined to accept a delegation that called upon him to urge him to do so.

O'Donnell Succeeds Davitt.

LONDON, Feb. 28.—The result of the election which took place in South Mayo yesterday for a seat in Parliament, in succession of Mr. Michael Davitt, who resigned as a protest against the Boer war, was as follows: John O'Donnell, Nationalist, 2,410; Major John McBride, Nationalist, 2,371; Mr. O'Donnell's majority, 1,383. Major McBride was the son of the Irish Brigadier in the service of the Transvaal Boers. At the last election in South Mayo Mr. Davitt was returned unopposed.

Miss E. A. Ormerod, LL. D.

LONDON, Feb. 28.—The senators of the University of Edinburgh have decided to confer the degree of doctor of laws on Miss Eleanor A. Ormerod, who has won world-wide fame as an entomologist and naturalist. She has spent twenty-three years in the study of insect pests. Miss Ormerod will be the first woman to receive an honor from the University of Edinburgh.

Riot at Belfast.

BELFAST, Feb. 28.—A rumor that Ladyship had been relieved led to street demonstrations in Belfast today which precipitated a riot between Orangemen and Nationalists. There was considerable stone throwing and many persons were injured and some property damaged.

Cable Notes.

Alexander Worn, United States consul at Kiel, has received his exequatur. Prince Henry of Prussia has been granted leave of absence from his duties to recruit his health, after his experiences in Asiatic waters.

The French Chamber of Deputies has passed a bill providing for the mutual protection of industrial property.

The Berlin Reichstag contains a proposal to amend the law relating to the sale and import of the Paris comic paper, Le Rire. The paper has been twice confiscated as an obscene publication and has been prohibited by municipal authorities and persons in Germany.

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The German Reichstag by a large majority has rejected the motion to repeal the "dictatorship paragraph" in force in Alsace-Lorraine. The Reichstag also passed a bill to amend the law relating to the sale and import of the Paris comic paper, Le Rire.

OBITUARY.

Dr. T. W. Graydon and John A. Murphy, of Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, O., Feb. 28.—Dr. T. W. Graydon died shortly after noon from the effects of an operation for the relief of appendicitis. Dr. Graydon served in the state legislature several years ago, and has been prominent in local politics.

John Grob, on the Operating Table.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—John Grob, thirty-nine years old, a wealthy member of the corporation of M. Grob's Sons, brewers, died suddenly, Tuesday, in the New York Polytechnic Medical School and Hospital while on the operating table, where a tumor of the nose was being removed. Thirty seconds after he had taken ether, his respiratory system became paralyzed and the action of the heart ceased. Though the surgeons worked over him for two hours, they were unable to revive him.

Other Deaths.

PORTLAND, Ind., Feb. 28.—Burlus Rowe, one of the oldest residents of Portland, died at his home in this city at 7:30 this morning from the effects of a stroke of the heart. He was seventy-seven years old. Mr. Rowe retired from business a number of years ago and during the last few years he had been suffering from paralysis, being unable to walk. A final stroke of the disease caused his death.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 28.—George Johnston, one of the oldest residents of Lexington, died here to-night in his eighty-fourth year. He was at one time a member of the New York legislature under Horace Greeley. In 1856 Johnston was elected foreman of the Couriers, of Louisville, and worked under George D. Prentiss on the Journal later.

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